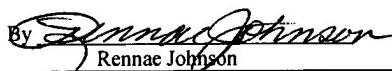


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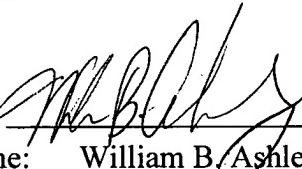
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to file the attached Amendment and Response. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3581 (HONY.033PA) in the amount \$120.00 to cover the extension fee for a large entity. Authority is given to charge/credit necessary fees/overages to deposit account number 50-3581 (HONY.033PA) as required by this filing.

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